



April 2018 Featured Agency of the Month

Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc.



[The Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc. \(CAPSLO\)](#), established in 1965, is a nonprofit corporation committed to eliminating the causes of poverty by empowering low-income individuals and families to achieve self-sufficiency through a wide array of community-based collaborations and programs.

In 1978, CAPSLO established the Child Care Resource Connection (CCRC) which serves as the designated Resource & Referral and Alternative Payment Programs for San Luis Obispo County. CCRC is committed to increasing access to quality care through child care subsidies for eligible low income families, training for quality, resource navigation, and partnership.

- ★ Our Alternative Payment Program includes CAPP and CalWORKs Stages 1, 2 and 3. We were able to provide child care to 1,426 low income children last fiscal year. A unique service we provide to our families is an Outstation staff person located at each of our five Department of Social Service (DSS) offices. These Outstation staff conduct all child care intake for our CalWORKs Stage 1 & 2 families, assist with child care program transfers, provide child care referrals, act as a liaison between the DSS staff and our CCRC staff and act as a child care expert to the community.
- ★ Through the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program we provide child care navigation for Resource Families, subsidized child care, and trauma-informed care training and coaching for child care providers.
- ★ The Resource & Referral Program maintains and shares county data on the supply, demand and characteristics of child care and provides child care planning assistance, resource, and referral services.
- ★ Resource & Referral Programs work in partnership to assure child safety and quality improvement through training, mentoring, coaching, assessment, consultation, resource distribution and service referrals. Our Toy and Resource Lending Library includes die cut and lamination services.
- ★ Our Child Care Food Program promotes quality meal service to children in family child care.
- ★ CCRC is co-located with, and serves as the fiscal agent for, the Local Child Care Planning Council, which serves as the Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) Consortium Lead.